

**Remarks**

Claims 1-27 were cancelled and new claims 28-31 were added in the Preliminary Amendment filed August 26, 2003. Applicant herewith amends claims 28-31 and adds claims 32-36. Support for the recitation that the bar is "homogenous, sufficiently soft to permit mastication and with a chewy texture" can be found *inter alia* at column 2, line 65 to column 3, line 2; column 3, lines 34 to 42. Support for the recitation of "organoleptically acceptable," can be found in the specification at page 4, line 35 to page 5, line 26. Support for the recitation of "wherein the protein material has dissociated functionality with regard to water absorption and emulsification properties" can be found at page 4, lines 11-20. Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made before examination of the present application. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the above amendment in order to remove multiple dependencies and correct informalities. A first office action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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